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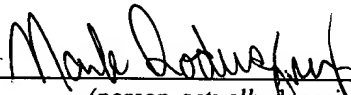
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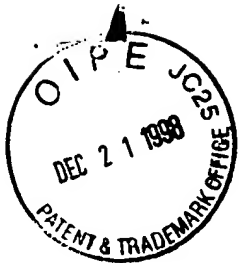
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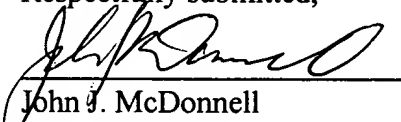
We are transmitting herewith the attached:

1. Petition for a Four-Month Extension of Time and requisite fee (\$1360.00);
2. 37 C.F.R. 1.129(a) Petition and requisite fee (\$760.00);
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This is a request for implementation of the transitional examination procedure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) for this application. The requisite fee set forth under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(r) is attached herewith. A petition for a four-month extension of time along with the requisite fees is attached herewith. Reconsideration of this application and withdrawal of the finality of the Office Action dated December 23, 1997 are respectfully requested.

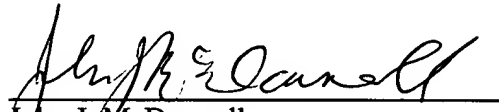
Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a), the present application is eligible for the transitional procedure because it has been pending for at least two years as of June 8, 1995, claiming priority under 35 U.S.C. § 120 as a Rule 1.60 divisional of USSN 08/383,676 filed February 1, 1995 (pending) which is a continuation of USSN 08/153,281 filed on November 17, 1993 (abandoned) which is a continuation of USSN 07/821,750 filed January 2, 1992 (abandoned) which is a divisional of USSN 07/511,430 filed April 20, 1990. Moreover, a Notice of Appeal, a Petition for an Extension of time (three months) and requisite fees were mailed on June 23, 1998. To date, no

Appeal Brief has been filed.

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any deficiency or credit any excess in the fees to Deposit Account No. 13-2490.

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